

ABF Doctoral Fellowships Program in Law & Inequality

Applications for the ABF Doctoral Fellowship in Law & Inequality for the 2019-20 academic year are now open.

Deadline: January 15, 2019

Purpose

Pending budgetary approval, The American Bar Foundation (ABF) will support up to two pre-doctoral fellowships. The ABF is committed to developing the next generation of scholars in the field of law and social science. The purpose of this fellowship is to encourage original and significant empirical and interdisciplinary research on the study of law and inequality.

Awards

Fellows will receive a stipend of \$35,000 per year for up to two academic years (24 months). Doctoral fellows should retain benefits, including healthcare, through their home institution. Fellows will also have access to a modest research account to reimburse expenses associated with research, travel to meet with advisors, or travel to conferences at which papers are presented. Reasonable relocation expenses may be reimbursed on application.

Tenure

Fellowships are awarded for up to 24 months, beginning September 1, 2019.

Conditions

Fellowships are held *in residence* at the ABF. Appointments to fellowships are full time. Fellows are expected to participate fully in the academic life of the ABF so that they may develop close collegial ties with ABF faculty and other scholars in residence.

Qualifications

Applications are invited from outstanding students who are candidates for Ph.D. degrees and who have completed all doctoral requirements except the dissertation by September 1, 2019. Doctoral research must be in the general area of socio-legal studies or involve social scientific approaches to the law, legal institutions, or legal processes. The research must address significant issues in the field and show promise of a major contribution to social scientific understanding of law and inequality. Students from underrepresented minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Only U.S. citizens are eligible to apply.

How to Apply

Please submit all material through this URL: apply.interfolio.com/54020

Applicants must include: **(1)** a dissertation abstract or proposal with an outline of the substance and methods of the research; **(2)** two letters of reference, one of which must be from a supervisor of the dissertation; and **(3)** a curriculum vitae; and **(4)** a short statement about how your research intersects with the issue of law and inequality. In addition, at the applicant's option, a short sample of written work may be submitted.

If you have questions about the application process or the position, please direct inquiries to fellowships@abfn.org with the subject line "ABF Doctoral Fellowship Program in Law & Inequality."